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STEVEN UNIVERSE™

LAPIS! YOU HAVE TO CHECK OUT THIS NEW CRYING BREAK-FAST FRIENDS GAME!

SEE, YOU GET A NICE PANTRY SHELF, THEN YOU FILL IT UP WITH TOYS AND BEDS AND STUFF TO MAKE IT ALL COZY–

–AND THEN CRYING BREAKFAST FRIENDS SHOW UP TO HANG OUT!

WAAAAAHHHHH!

BOB

OKAY, BUT... WHY?

EVERYBODY NEEDS A COMFY SPOT TO CRY!

HA!

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LET ME SEE THIS NERD GAME.

UHH–

WAAAAAAAAAAAAH!

TO CRY

...WHY DO MY EYES FEEL FUNNY?

BOO HOO HOOOO

CHEEP!

HEY!!

WE'VE TALKED ABOUT SHARING.

CHEEP! CHEEP!

DO BREAKFAST FOODS... CHEEP?

HAHA, NOW THAT'D JUST BE *SILLY!*

Cheep!

I DON'T THINK THAT'S COMING FROM THE GAME...

Cheep! Cheep!

IT SOUNDS LIKE IT'S COMING FROM–

Cheep! Cheep!

THERE!!

Cheep! Cheep!

GASP

Cheep! Cheep! Cheep!

OH NO!

CHEEP!

IT'S A BABY!

IT MUST'VE FALLEN OUT OF ITS NEST!

...THAT'S WHAT BABIES LOOK LIKE??

LAPIS, WE HAVE TO PUT IT BACK IN ITS HOME! CAN YOU HELP ME?

OKAY, BUT I'M NOT TOUCHING THAT THING.

OH, SORRY TO DISTURB YOU, MA'AM.

CHIT CHIT CHIT CHIT CHIT!!

UHH... PROBABLY NOT HERE.

SKREEEEEEEE!!

REMIND ME TO TELL GARNET ABOUT THIS ONE.

WHEREVER YOU CAME FROM, IT MUST BE *REALLY* WELL HIDDEN.

CHEEP!

IS THERE SOMEONE YOU CAN CALL?

SOME SORT OF...UGLY BABY EXPERT?

I BET THE INTERNET KNOWS WHERE TO FIND ONE OF THOSE!

HERE-PRETEND LIKE YOU'RE A NEST FOR A COUPLE MINUTES, OKAY?

WHAT??

FOUND... BABY... BIRD...

STEVEN!! THIS IS A GROSS MISUSE OF MY RESOURCES!!

EMPIRE CITY WILDLIFE REHABILITATION CENTER! THAT SOUNDS RIGHT!

EMPIRE CITY WILDLIFE REHABILITATION CENTER.

UHH... STEVEN UNIVERSE! CAN WE BRING YOU A BABY BIRD WE FOUND OUTSIDE OUR BARN?

THAT DEPENDS. CAN YOU TELL WHAT SPECIES IT IS?

IT'S, UMM– A BIRD? A VERY TINY AND NAKED ONE?

IT'S *DEFECATING ON MEEEEEEEEE*

WELL, YOU CAN BRING IT BY IF YOU'D LIKE, BUT I'LL BE HONEST–IF IT'S ANY SORT OF COMMON LOCAL SONGBIRD SPECIES, WE PROBABLY CAN'T TAKE IT IN.

WE GET TEN CALLS A DAY ABOUT BABY SONGBIRDS, AND FRANKLY, WE'VE GOT TO SAVE OUR RESOURCES FOR THE ANIMALS THAT ARE *ACTUALLY* ENDANGERED.

WHAT SHOULD WE DO, THEN?

WELL–IF YOU CAN'T FIND ITS NEST, THEN YOU CAN LINE A LITTLE STRAWBERRY BASKET WITH PAPER TOWELS AND LEAVE THE BABY UP IN A TREE NEAR WHERE YOU FOUND IT.

THE MOM'LL FIND IT, MAYB--UHH, PROBABLY.

MAYBE... *WE* COULD BE ITS MOM?

ABSOLUTELY NOT.

CARING FOR WILD BABY BIRDS IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT, NOT TO MENTION *ILLEGAL* WITHOUT A PERMIT. ALL YOU CAN DO IS MAKE A NEW NEST FOR IT, OUTSIDE.

B-BUT–WHAT IF ITS MOM DOESN'T FIND IT? WHAT IF SHE'S BUSY WITH HER OTHER BABIES, OR HER FAST-PACED CAREER?

WELL– LIKE I SAID, IT'S NOT AN ENDANGERED SPECIES.

ANY SIGN OF THE MOM YET?

...NO.

BUT THAT'S... JUST PART OF BEING A MOM, ISN'T IT?

MAKING TOUGH DECISIONS.

YOU GET SOME SLEEP, OKAY? I'LL KEEP AN EYE ON THE BIRD.

SNNNNNRFFFK–

NO, YOU HAVE TO MASH IT UP–

YAWN

–IT'S TOO LITTLE TO SWALLOW THE WHOLE THING.

Cheep!

GASP

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE ACTUALLY OKAY WITH THIS.

CHEEP! CHEEP!

OMIGOSH

THE BABY! YOU BROUGHT IT BACK INSIDE AND–

WE'RE BREAKING THE LAW!!

I MEAN, WE'RE ALREADY REBELS.

I'D LIKE TO SEE 'EM TRY AND THROW *ME* IN BABY JAIL!

AND ACCORDING TO THE INTERNET, IF YOU TAKE A SMALL BIRD AND FEED IT THE PROPER NUTRIENTS-

-YOU CAN TRANSFORM IT INTO A LARGER, MORE POWERFUL BIRD, WHO WILL DO YOUR BIDDING!

HEY- DID YOU NOTICE?

ITS EYES ARE OPEN NOW.

CHEEP

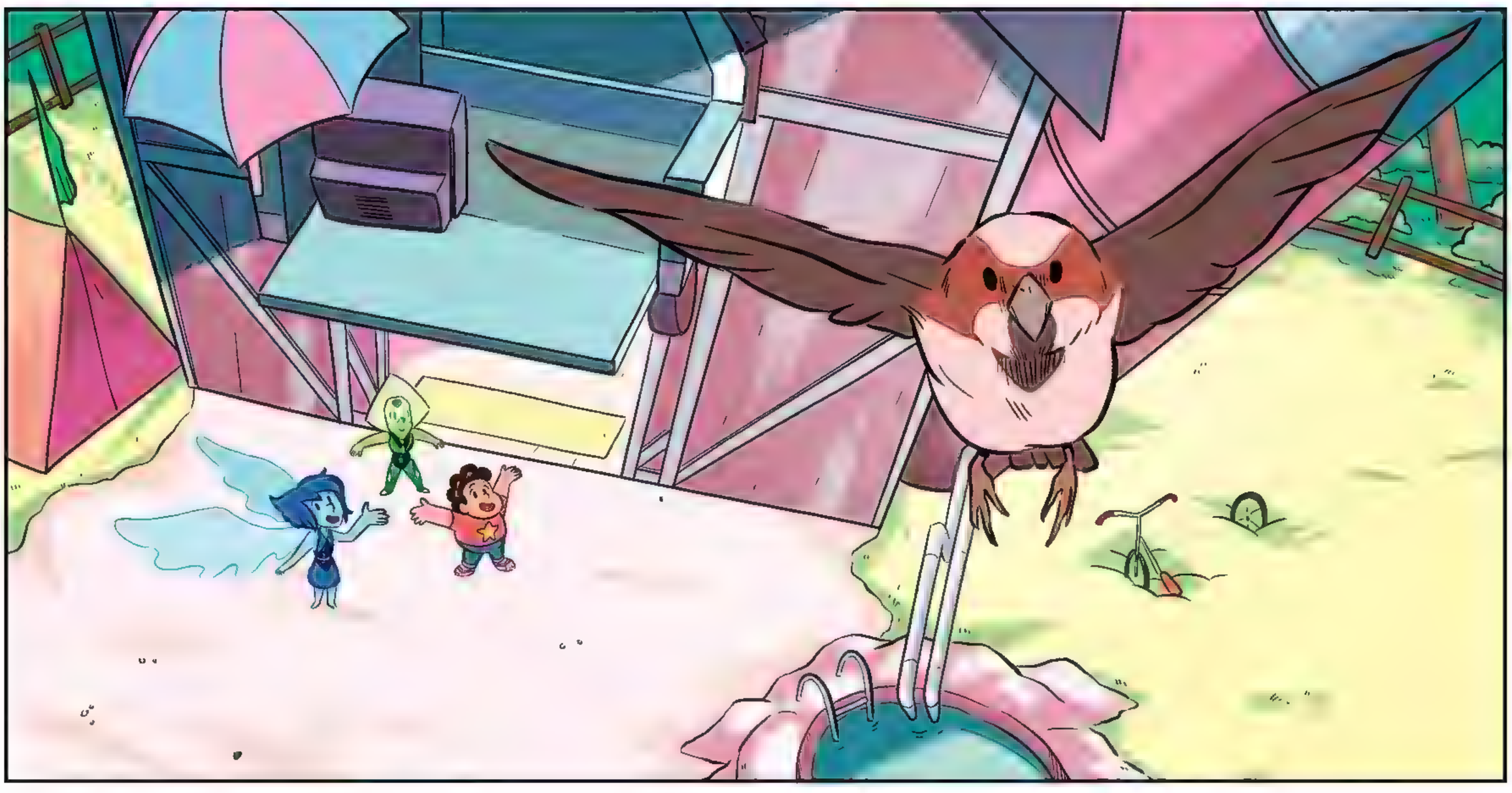
CAN WE NAME THEM SUSAN??

EXCUSE ME, BUT WE ALREADY AGREED THE MOST *SUPERIOR* NAME WAS PERC–

SUSAN IT IS.

OMIGOSH, I'M GOING TO DECORATE THE BEST LITTLE BIRD BEDROOM FOR THEM!

BIRD
WORMS



WE'VE FED THIS BIRD *TONS* OF NUTRIENTS. WHY ISN'T IT GETTING ANY BIGGER?

HAHA, I DON'T THINK THAT'S HOW BIRDS WORK!

WELL, HOW ARE YOU SUPPOSED TO SEND THEM ON MISSIONS WHEN THEY'RE SO *TINY*?

SUSAN! BRING ME MY ROTARY DRILL!

CHEEP

CHEEP

CHEEP

STEVEN, LOOK...

SUSAN!

CHEEP

I THINK IT'S TIME.

B-BUT... THEY'VE NEVER BEEN ON THEIR OWN BEFORE!

HOW WILL THEY TAKE CARE OF THEMSELF, WITHOUT FREE WORMS AND CABLE TV?

THEY DESERVE THE CHOICE, AT LEAST.

WELL- SUSAN...

YOUR MOMS AND I ALL LOVE YOU AND ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU, AND YOU'LL ALWAYS HAVE A HOME HERE, BUT...

...IF YOU REALLY WANT TO GO....

CHEEP

IT'S OKAY–THEY KNOW WHERE TO FIND US, IF THEY NEED ANYTHING.

YEAH– I GUESS SO.

SUSAN

DID SUSAN COME BACK?

NO.

AFTER EVERYTHING WE DID FOR THAT STUPID, UNGRATEFUL, *IRREVERSIBLY PUNY* BIRD!

THEY SURE DIDN'T ANY OF THAT FROM *MY* SIDE OF THE FAMILY.

STEVEN– COME HELP ME WATER THE GARDEN?

LAPIS? THE GARDEN'S OVER–

SHHHH.

LAPIS...?

C'MERE– AND HOLD OUT YOUR HAND.

UHH....

NOW HOLD VERY STILL.

GASP

I'M A PRINCESS!

CHEEP

THE END

THE NOT-SO SECRET SOCIETY™

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BEING CAUGHT IN AN 8-ARM HEADLOCK IS BETTER THAN DOING ALL THIS.
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SSSSST
THOOT THOOT
DING!
DO YOUR OWN HOMEWORK
WHO WANTS CREAM AND SUGAR?

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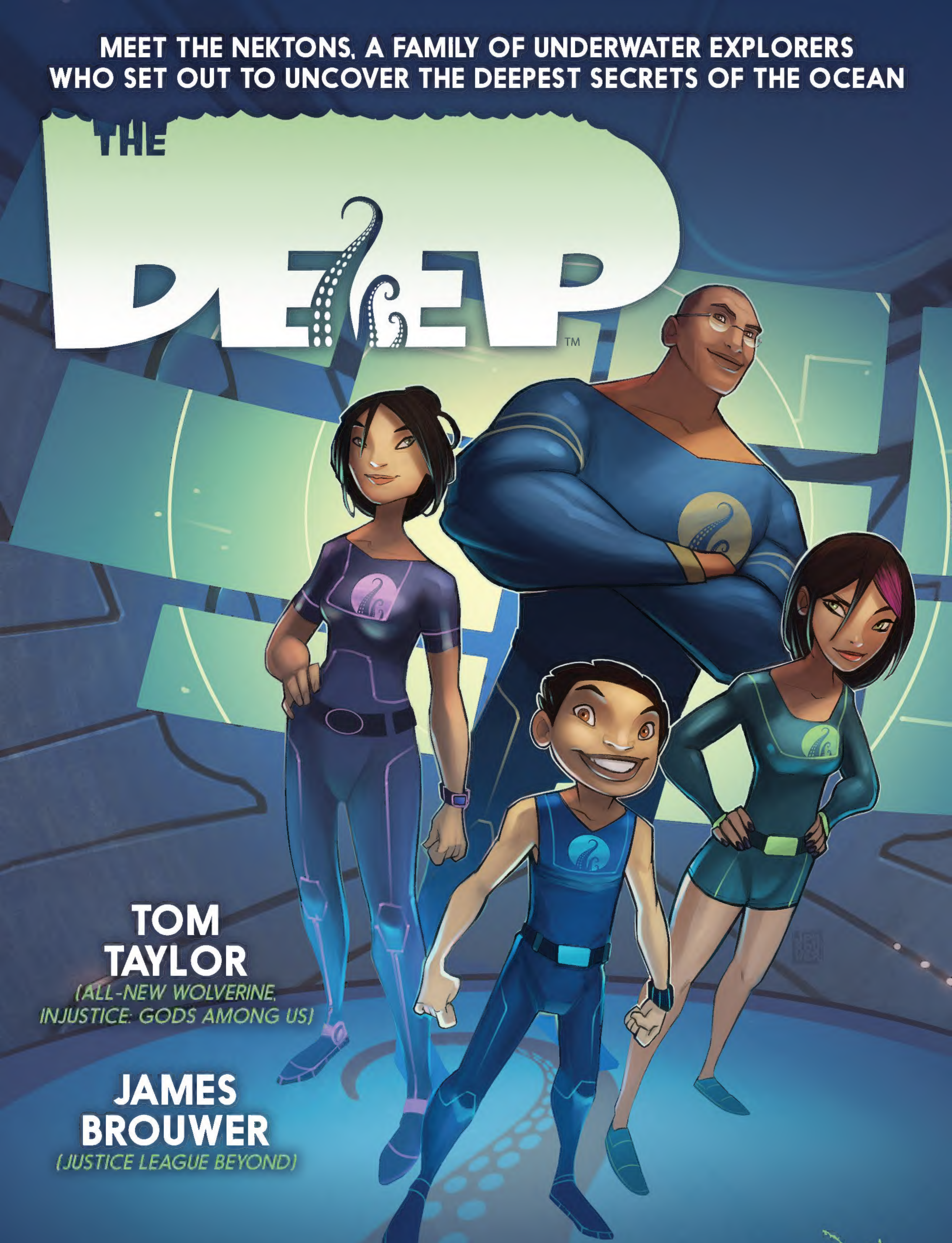

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